

# The Bethel News.

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## DIRECTORY.

We are pleased to publish the following directory for the benefit of our citizens and visitors, and to insure correctness the News should be promptly notified when changes occur.

### TOWN OFFICERS.

SELECTMEN.—S. B. Twitchell, C. E. Barker, West, F. J. Russell, Clerk, L. T. Barker; Treasurer, W. W. Hastings; Superintendent of Schools, E. C. Bowler; School Committee, Miss Jane Gibson, C. E. Valentine, Z. W. Bartlett, East; Town Agent, A. E. Herrick; Collector, H. H. Bean; Auditor, Calvin Bisbee.

### MAIL SERVICE.

MAILS CLOSE.  
Going East, 8:40 a. m., 3:15 p. m.  
Closed mail for Portland and Boston, 8 p. m.

MAILS ARRIVE.  
From East, 10:50 a. m., 4:50 p. m.  
From West, 9:15 a. m., 3:45 p. m.

### CHURCHES.

METHODIST EPISCOPAL, Main street, Rev. W. B. Eldridge, Pastor. Sunday—Prayer meeting, 10 a. m.; Preaching service, 10:45 a. m.; Sunday school, 12 m.; Junior League, 3 p. m.; Epworth League, 6:15 p. m.; Prayer meeting, 7 p. m. Tuesday—Class meeting, 7:30 p. m. Friday—Prayer meeting, 7:30 p. m.

UNIVERSALIST, Church street, Rev. F. E. Barton, Pastor. Sunday—Preaching service, 10:45 a. m.; Sunday school, 12 m.; Y. P. C. U., 7 p. m.

CONGREGATIONAL, Church street, Rev. Arthur Varley, Pastor. Sunday—Preaching service, 10:45 a. m.; Sunday school, 12 m.; Y. P. C. U., 7 p. m. Tuesday—Prayer meeting, 7:30 p. m.

UNION CHURCH, West Bethel, supplied by Rev. Arthur Varley and Rev. F. E. Barton. Sunday—Preaching, 2:30 p. m.; Sunday school, 3:30 p. m.

BAPTIST, Middle Intervale and East Bethel, supplied by W. H. T. Book. Sunday—Preaching service, 10:30 a. m.; Sunday school, 12 m. East Bethel—Preaching service, 2:30 p. m. Wednesday—Prayer meeting, 7:30 p. m.

### LIBRARY.

Public Library, Broad street. Open Wednesday, from 8 to 8 p. m.; Saturday, 4 to 8 p. m. Over 2000 volumes. Mrs. G. R. Wiley, President; Annie Frye, Secretary; Mrs. O. M. Mason, Treasurer; Mrs. L. T. Barker, Librarian.

### FRATERNAL ORDERS.

BETHEL LODGE, No. 97, F. & A. M.—C. E. Abbott, W. M.; N. E. Richardson, S. W.; A. V. Barker, J. W.; M. W. Chandler, Treas.; J. C. Billings, Sec. Meets second Thursday of each month.

MR. ADAM LODGE, I. O. O. F., No. 31—J. W. Smith, N. G.; A. C. Frost, V. G.; J. C. Mason, Rec. Sec.; C. C. Bryant, F. S.; S. I. French, Treas. Meets Saturday evenings.

SUNSET REBEKAH LODGE, I. O. O. F., No. 44—Mrs. Della Smith, N. G.; Miss Martha Gibson, V. G.; Miss Jane Gibson, R. S.; Mrs. W. D. Hastings, F. S.; Mrs. G. A. Burbank, Treas. Meets first and third Monday of each month.

BETHEL GRANGE, No. 56—S. E. Cummings, Master; Mrs. C. E. Valentine, Lecturer; C. E. Valentine, Secretary. Meets Saturday afternoons, once in two weeks.

SYNURRY COL., No. 50, U. O. P. F.—J. C. Billings, Gov.; E. C. Park, Sec.; E. S. Kilborn, Treas. Meets the first and third Monday of each month.

BETHEL LODGE, No. 27, J. O. U. A. M.—F. J. Tyler, O. S.; S. A. Gibson, R. S.; John Yates, F. S.; Harry Jordan, Treas. Meets the second and fourth Tuesday in each month.

Brown Post, No. 84, G. A. R.—Ira Jordan, P. C.; A. M. True, Adj. Meets the first and third Tuesday of each month at 7:30 p. m.

Brown Post, W. R. C., No. 36—Mrs. Ira C. Jordan, Pres.; Mrs. C. S. Littlehale, Sec.; Miss E. E. Burnham, Treas. Meets the first and third Tuesday of each month.

Bethel W. C. T. U.—Mrs. O. M. Mason, Pres.; Mrs. Arthur Varley, Vice Pres.; Mrs. F. S. Chandler, Sec.; Mrs. L. T. Barker, Treas. Meets Tuesday, once in two weeks.

### CORPORATIONS.

Bethel Savings Bank.—S. B. Twitchell, Pres.; A. E. Herrick, Treas.

Bethel Chair Co.—J. H. Barrows, Pres. E. L. Tebbets, Treas.

Bethel Water Co.—Enoch Foster, Pres. A. E. Herrick, Treas.

Bethel Dairying Co.—W. E. Abbott, Manager.

Riverside Park Association.—C. M. Wormell, Pres.; E. C. Rowe, Treas.

### SOCIAL SOCIETIES.

Ladies' Club, Congregational.—Pres., Mrs. A. E. Herrick; Vice Pres., Mrs. Gilbert Tuell; Sec., Miss Mary True; Treas., Mrs. F. B. Tuell. Meets Thursday afternoon.

Ladies' Circle, Universalist.—Mrs. L. A. Pratt, Pres.; Mrs. G. R. Wiley, Vice Pres.; Mrs. L. B. Hopkins, Sec.; Mrs. E. C. Rowe, Treas. Meets Wednesday afternoon.

Literary Society, Methodist.—Mrs. W. D. Hastings, Pres.; Mrs. Calvin Bisbee, Vice Pres.; Mrs. Wilfred Bowler, Sec. Miss Addie Gordon, Treas.

Ladies' Circle, Methodist.—Mrs. John Swan, Pres.; Miss Minnie Capen, Sec.; Mrs. Ira Jordan, Treas.

Columbian Club.—Mrs. A. E. Herrick, Pres.; Miss Annie M. Frye, Sec. Mrs. T. F. Hastings, Treas.

UNITED ORDER OF GOLDEN CROSS No. 484.—N. C. J. H. Barrows, W. T. Calvin Bisbee, F. K. of R., S. W. Grover; K. of R., F. W. Bisbee.

## ABOUT TOWN

Judge Herrick attended probate court in Fryeburg this week.

The W. C. T. U. will meet next Tuesday at the home of Mrs. Ceylon Rowe.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Holt are receiving congratulations, the occasion being the birth of a son.

Miss Ida Palmer of Brunswick, who has been visiting Dr. Sturdivant for a few days, returned home yesterday.

Mr. and Mrs. Edmund Holt have returned from a visit in Randolph, N. H., where Mrs. Holt's sister resides.

"He laughs best who laughs last." If you take Hood's Sarsaparilla you may laugh first, last and all the time, for it will make you well.

Mr. Edward Woodbury, formerly of Sweden, now employed at the Industrial School in Lancaster, Mass., spent Friday at Mr. J. U. Purington's.

Mr. Edwin P. Holt has opened a paint shop in the Charles Mason store on Main street. Mr. Holt's work is too well known here to need any recommendation.

The following officers have been elected at the M. E. Sunday school for the ensuing year.

Supt., C. H. Davis, Asst. Supt., E. L. Arno, Sec. and Treas., Miss A. E. Gordon, Librarian, Irving Wilson, Organist, Miss Ethel Morse.

We are not ashamed to look a man in the face every winter for fifteen or twenty winters after we have sold him a Beckwith Round Oak. They always do just as we say they will do. For sale by Hastings Bros., Bethel, Me.

Mr. James Bartlett was quite severely injured at the station last Friday night, caused by falling from the platform as he was stepping from the train. He was rendered unconscious for a short time, but soon retained consciousness and is steadily improving.

The Berlin Mills Co. has made two large timber deals with Bethel parties during the past week. Some 150,000 of pine on the Greenwood road in Albany has been purchased of J. U. Purington and over 100,000 on the Capen farm of Ira C. Jordan. This pine will be cut during the present winter, and sawed at the Bethel Chair Factory.

We are to have a new physician in town in the person of Dr. J. B. Twaddelle, who is to open an office at once in Chapman block. Dr. Twaddelle is a graduate of Bowdoin, class of 1877, and has been in active practice since then. He comes to Bethel with the reputation of being one of the best surgeons in Somerset county and a good allround physician.

The window of Edward King is decidedly attractive this week. He has unquestionably the finest display of Christmas goods in his line that ever was displayed in the town of Bethel, and if Santa Claus don't have a picnic when he reaches King's store, he is a different sort of a chap than we think he is. Mr. King has taken much pride in selecting a stock from which the most fastidious may select, and if we can't find what suits us in the jewelry line at his store, we must be fastidious indeed.

D. S. Hastings arrived Monday from Montana with 17 horses. Mr. Hastings carries on an extensive business there raising horses, cattle and sheep. Almost all of his cattle and all of his sheep were disposed of before he started for Maine, but he left upon his ranch about 100 horses, besides the ones that he brought here. Although these horses have never been handled, yet they seem very kind and gentle for horses that have always run wild upon the prairie, and with handling will make excellent horses. Mr. Hastings says times are very good in the West, and that all kinds of stock is selling at far better prices than could be obtained one year ago.

Mrs. Ella Carter is visiting in Portland.

Ethel Richardson is visiting friends in Norway.

The Methodist and Congregational pastors exchanged pulpits Sunday.

Rev. Mr. Eldridge has been ill for a few days but is feeling much improved.

H. C. Rowe returned yesterday from a short hunting trip in Grafton Notch.

Wilfred Bowler has been visiting at his old home in Palermo for the past few days.

Rev. Mr. Rand, missionary for the Oxford County Congregational Conference was in Bethel Monday.

Albert C. Eames, principal of the High school at East Denmark, is spending his vacation at his home near Swan's Corner.

The Federation of Clubs meets with the Congregational Ladies' Club in Garland chapel, Thursday Dec. 7, at 2:30 p. m.

We are pleased to report that Irving Clark who has been so seriously ill for the past few months is much improved.

Miss Ellen Douglass came home last Friday, from Errol, N. H., where she has been teaching during the summer and fall.

The friends of Leon Walker will be pleased to learn that he has been given a place in the Bowdoin Glee Club, and sang in Gardner for the first time last week.

Ceylon Rowe wishes to announce that he has a fine lot of ladies' cloaks, also men's and boys' suits and overcoats that he will close out cheap. Call and see him.

George Ryerson was injured to some extent while playing football upon the common Thanksgiving day. He was confined to the house for a few days but is now able to be out again.

Major Hastings and wife started today for the south where they will spend the winter. They will visit friends at Thomasville, Georgia, also at Albany, Savannah, and several other places.

### New Subscribers.

The following names have recently been placed on the subscription list of the News:

L. B. Hopkins, Roland Holt, Cordelia Watson, Geo. Peabody, Elmer Cross, Edith Boothman, Freeman Tirrell, V. B. Grover, T. Hovenden, Mrs. H. H. Cushman, B. Jackman, Mrs. E. A. Wight, Dr. Sturdivant, M. C. Twitchell, A. E. Vorrill, Merrill Bartlett, John Swan, Alice C. Willis, Parker Braden, Mrs. H. B. Maxfield, Geo. Watson, Paul Lowe, Jos. J. Estes, Mr. Bartlett, W. M. Watson, True Estes, Mrs. N. H. Tyler, Chester Wheeler, Mrs. Ellen Wormell, Mrs. Stevens, Mrs. Wm. Washburn, Geo. A. Gagne, Mrs. A. J. Farwell, Mrs. E. R. Fothergill, H. P. Wheeler, P. L. Watts, Jas. E. Good, Rose Crooker, D. M. Smith, H. J. Bean, Gertrude Richards, D. O. Wight, Mrs. J. S. Phipps, Diana Wight, Mrs. Geo. Lapham, Henry M. Lombard, Mrs. Oliver Howard, Dr. J. B. Twaddelle.

## THANKSGIVING NOTES.

H. B. Clough was at Geo. E. King's.

Howard Carter was in town from Berlin.

Dr. G. L. Sturdivant spent the day at Brunswick.

Emery Young and wife were at Mrs. M. A. Merrill's.

Misses S. L. and L. C. Hall were entertained at Dr. Morton's.

Geo. E. King came home from Cusnuptic, returning Monday.

Mrs. Alice J. Farwell spent the day at her old home in Gilead.

Wilfred Bowler and family, were with Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Bowler.

Rufus Skillings and family were with Mr. and Mrs. F. L. Edwards.

Mr. and Mrs. Gilbert Tuell and Mrs. Mary Brackett were at Dr. Tuell's.

Mrs. Susan Douglass and family were entertained at the Locke House.

I. W. Mason and wife of Rumford Falls were with Mrs. Mason's mother.

Col. C. S. Edwards visited his daughter, Mrs. J. S. Phipps, at Milan, N. H.

Mr. and Mrs. John M. Swan entertained N. T. Swan and family of East Bethel.

William Eldridge of New Bedford, Mass., was entertained at Moses Mason's.

Mr. and Mrs. F. E. Hanscom were with Mrs. Hanscom's parents at Mechanic Falls.

Mr. and Mrs. F. S. Chandler spent Thanksgiving with their daughter in Gilead.

G. R. Wiley and family, including A. G. Wiley and wife, were entertained at Dr. Wiley's.

Miss P. M. Buxton, Miss Mary True and Major True were with Dr. and Mrs. Gehring.

Geo. Farnsworth, Fred Merrill, and Robert Bisbee of Bowdoin, came home, returning Monday.

Dr. F. I. Brown and wife of South Portland, spent the day with Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Philbrook.

E. H. Young and family, Jamie and Marguerite Finney were entertained at Mrs. Olive Young's.

Ed Barker was down from Shelburne and spent the day with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Nahum Barker.

Fordey B. Brooks and wife of Upton were with Mrs. Brooks' parents, Mr. and Mrs. Roscoe Cross.

Mr. and Mrs. Eli Barker entertained Miss E. E. Burnham, Miss Elvora Hatch, Clarence Fox, and Miss Lottie Fox.

Miss Edith Grover came home from Portland to spend Thanksgiving with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Grover.

L. L. Mason and family of Portland, and the Misses Boothby and Mason of Berlin, N. H., were with Mrs. O. M. Mason.

Mr. Henry Hastings and Miss Carrie Hastings of Portland, and Miss Fannie Hastings of Auburn, were with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. St. John Hastings.

At S. B. Twitchell's were Rev. and Mrs. Arthur Varley, Dea. H. H. Chapman and family, Dea. E. C. Chamberlain and family, C. E. Valentine and family, and Mrs. Garland.

### Dancing Party at Odeon Hall.

The writer is surely not alone in the opinion that few country towns give their young people the advantages of so refined and altogether delightful social pleasures as those which the young people of Bethel enjoy.

The charming dancing party given by Mr. and Mrs. A. Van Den Kerckhoven to their young friends in Odeon Hall on Monday evening, but strengthens one in this optimistic conviction and adds the record of another brilliant success in social annals.

Odeon Hall looked very attractive in its company dress, with the usual accessories of rugs, lamps, and cushions. Daintily laid refreshment tables, flanked by tall lamps with colored shades, filled three corners, and the fourth was

occupied by the receiving party. That was effectively arranged with a large crimson rug with background of screens, ferns, and potted plants, which made a most artistic setting for the charming young bride in her exquisite wedding gown of white organdie over white silk.

Mr. and Mrs. Van Den Kerckhoven were assisted in receiving, by Mrs. Gehring, Mrs. Herrick, and Miss Carrie Hastings. All of the ladies wore beautiful flowers, the gift of Mr. Van Den Kerckhoven; Mrs. Van Den Kerckhoven, violets, the matrons, cream roses, and Miss Hastings, pink roses. Mr. Durward Mason, Mr. Edw. King, Mr. Gilman Chapman, and Mr. Edwin Harvey served with ease and efficiency as ushers. Misses Ethel Eames and Ruth King were at the piano.

Mr. and Mrs. Van Den Kerckhoven were nerving in tactful attention to their guests, all of whom expressed the warmest appreciation of the courtesy which had given them such a wholly enjoyable evening. To the other good wishes which we are just now lavishing upon this young couple, may be fittingly added the hope that all their social endeavors may be crowned with the entire success which rests upon this initial one.

### A Great Treat in Store.

About one month ago, Mr. Frank R. Conklin of New York, the reader and impersonator of national fame, appeared before a Bethel audience for the first time, but those who heard him resolved then and there that it should not be the last time.

The Volunteer Hose company have accordingly made arrangements to have him appear in Odeon hall, next Friday evening, Dec. 8, and the simple fact that it is the re-appearance of Frank R. Conklin should be sufficient to fill Odeon hall to the doors. He is an artist of the first order, and one of the best entertainers that has ever appeared upon an American platform. Don't take heresays, but ask anyone who heard him in the Congregational church in November.

Mr. Conklin is one of whom an audience never tires; he keeps them in good spirits from start to finish and sends them home laughing. He is a man who can interest an audience night after night, having given sixty-seven entertainments in New York city last season. It is he who was chosen to entertain at the recent banquet given to President McKinley at the Waldorf-Astoria. Such is the calibre of the man who is to re-appear in Bethel.

The entertainment will be under the auspices of the Volunteer Hose Company which fact should also prompt our people to attend. Our people well know that the Volunteer Hose Company do not do things at halves. When they advertise a good time, they furnish a good time, and they have arranged for a treat for Bethel people, and it is hoped that a large number will come out and enjoy it. An intermission will occur during the entertainment when refreshments will be served.

### Thanksgiving Hop.

The Thanksgiving Hop given by the H. E. of T. C., (which mysterious initials, after giving no end of torture to refractory brains, turned out to mean Hearty Eaters of Turkey Club) was a very pleasant affair. Some forty couples of invited guests joined in the march and dances which followed. These same young men have before provided themselves to be most delightful hosts, and on this occasion they but repeated the story of former successes. Mrs. Philbrook, Mrs. Gehring, Mrs. E. C. Rowe, Mrs. Twaddelle and Mrs. Herrick were present as matrons, pleasantly enscathed in the usual pretty cozy corner.

The presence of our college boys at home for the Thanksgiving recess, gave particular pleasure to all who cherish—as who does not?—a pride and interest in Bethel at Bowdoin.

The spirit of good cheer and good fellowship, which was everywhere in evidence, was thoroughly in keeping with the happy spirit of the day, and the young gentlemen surely have reason to congratulate themselves upon the entire success of their undertaking.

## NORWAY.

The union meeting in the Congregational church was fully attended and exceedingly helpful.

Several members of Company D enjoyed target practice on their new grounds on Cole's meadow.

A "night-cap" social in the Congregational vestry attracted a large gathering Tuesday evening. Supper was served at 6:30.

Thanksgiving Day was observed in the usual style with reunions and big dinners. The shoe factories shut down all day and all places of business were closed before noon.

The K. of P. ball Thursday evening was a success in every respect. Over seventy-five couples participated in the excellent order of dances. The Norway orchestra furnished the music.

Large parties have thoroughly enjoyed the small amount of skating during the past week. A cove on the Little Androskoggin near So. Paris village seemed to be the popular resort.

Albert J. Stearns' new law office over Freeland Howe's insurance rooms is nearly ready for occupancy, and will be pleasant and comfortable when the furnishings are in place. Mr. Stearns moves from the Savings Bank building.

The Festival chorus met again Monday evening. Prof. Chapman's new books are in the hands of each member, and all are enthusiastic over the brilliant music. An addition of new members to the list of names gives an impetus to each individual singer.

The Universalist choir, composed of Mrs. Frank Kimball, soprano; Agnes Beal, contralto; Frank Kimball, tenor; and Geo. Briggs, baritone, assisted in the sacred concert at the Congregational church, South Paris, Sunday evening.

"A Start in the World," is Rev. B. S. Rideout's subject next Sunday evening. This is the second lecture in a series of six, and should be attended by all. As these subjects follow in a logical order it is necessary to attend the first discourses, so as to more fully grasp the spiritual meaning throughout the course.

## EAST BETHEL.

Mr. Porter Farwell is spending the week in Portland.

Mrs. Catherine Bean is spending a few weeks with friends at Bethel Hill.

Z. W. Bartlett loaded a car with pine lumber at Locke Mills last week.

Mrs. George Tracy is visiting relatives in New Hampshire and Canada.

Miss Margaret Ross from Lewiston has been visiting her sister, Mrs. W. H. Tracy.

Mrs. Emma Putnam from Dixfield and Mrs. Susie Perkins from Auburn visited this place last week.

Miss Mattie Tracy has returned to Lawrence, Mass. Her mother, Mrs. W. H. Tracy, will spend the winter with her son, Arthur Tracy.

## A Narrow Escape.

Reading, Mass., Dec. 1.—Last Wednesday evening, as Mr. Edwin C. Farwell of Reading, Mass., was driving through Peabody to Salem, to attend an I. O. O. F. lodge meeting, his horse became frightened at a place in the street where it was being repaired. Mr. Farwell was thrown out and dragged some distance, resulting in three broken ribs, a broken shoulder blade and four scalp wounds. He was picked up by two brothers of the lodge, who were also driving, and taken to the Salem city hospital, in a semi-unconscious condition. He was operated upon and his wounds dressed; when last heard from he was in a very painful condition. His injuries may necessitate a stay of eight or ten weeks at the hospital, before he can be moved to his home. His relatives and friends in this vicinity will be pained to hear of this accident. His frightened horse was stopped in Salem. Mr. Farwell has been a skillful driver all his life.











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If you want to discontinue your paper, write to the publisher yourself, and don't leave it to the postmaster.

WEDNESDAY, Dec. 6, 1899.

Joel Chandler Harris contributes to the Christmas number of The Saturday Evening Post an authentic account of the daring attempt to warn the Confederate cabinet of the great movement whereby Grant and Sherman were to cooperate in crushing the Confederacy. How the attempt failed and why it failed are the subjects of a chapter of the little-known history of the Secret Service. Mr. Harris has his facts first-hand, and he has woven them into a story of such absorbing interest that it might easily be mistaken for pure fiction.

It is quite evident that the good men and true who have been chosen to represent the people of the United States in our National House have no place for a polygamist within their ranks. This was practically decided yesterday when the resolution of Mr. Taylor of Ohio providing for the appointment of a committee to investigate Mr. Roberts' case was carried by a vote of 302 to 30. When Mr. Roberts made his appearance in Representative Hall there was in front of the clerk's desk a monster petition said to consist of 7,000,000 names, one tenth of the entire population of the United States. It consisted of 28 rolls of paper, each about two feet in diameter, and enrolled in the American flag.

## General Prosperity.

Although the people of the United States have seen extremely depressing times during the past few years, yet the breeze of prosperity has again fanned our fair country, and to-day from north, south, east, and west, alike, comes a general old time rejoicing over the blessings of peace and plenty. The mines which honeycomb our hills are pouring forth an enormous production, our factories and workshops hum with the merry music of industry, while our agricultural products are whitening every sea; and yet how inadequate are all these to meet the demands that the world is putting upon them. New mines are being opened, new mills are springing into existence all over our country, new railroads and steamships are being constructed, all of which are constantly increasing the present unsupplied demand for labor.

No one, or at least few, to-day, are taking occasion to complain of the times, and methinks that those few would continue to complain if perchance December's snowflakes should be transformed into glistening diamonds. Be this as it may, the general rank and file of the American people is rejoicing over the wonderful impetus that has been felt in all business circles during the past few months.

"A contented mind is a continual feast." Let us not commiserate ourselves and those around us for fear of a possible reaction which some pessimistic seer sees gathering above the horizon of our accelerated progress, but rather be contented with our present happy lot, and feast upon the rich blessings which are ours to enjoy.

Another College Scores One for Civilization.

Speaking in regard to the recent action of the students of the University of Maine in voting to abolish hazing, President Harris said: "As this result was brought about without any pressure from the college authorities and seems to have the unanimous and cordial support of the students themselves it is a hopeful indication that we have seen the end of a practice which has nothing to recommend it, and is a source of anxiety to

teachers, and one that is dangerous to the students." The papers signed by the students read as follows: "We, the undersigned, hereby agree during our college course, to take no part in hazing, and to use our influence to dissuade others from doing so."

One by one our colleges have abandoned this objectionable practice, and it is to be hoped that before the "Century of Progress" closes that not a college in our country will have failed to take this progressive step.

## Content.

The following is the standing this week. Who will lead next week?  
Mrs. Walton Wight, 3439  
Mrs. E. E. Holt, 2942  
Mrs. Jane Wheeler, 1987  
Mrs. H. H. Cushman, 1737  
Mrs. E. N. Robertson, 593  
Mrs. John B. Chapman, 389  
Mrs. Scott Robertson, 341  
Lila V. Young, 125  
Mrs. H. V. Chapman, 125  
Mrs. W. H. Holmes, 114  
Mrs. R. E. L. Farwell, 291  
Mrs. Ida Clough, 1

NOTE.—Question has been raised as to whether votes once counted for one person can be transferred to another. To this question we have to reply in the negative. This has been our decision in all contests that we have conducted. Such a course, while it would be taken in good faith, in some cases, might lead to gross unfairness in others, and it has therefore seemed best to make it the rule that votes credited in the paper to a contestant can not be re-credited to another.

## G. A. R. Officers.

At the last meeting of Brown Post, No. 84 G. A. R., held Tuesday evening, Dec. 6, the following officers were elected for the coming year:

P. C.—A. H. Hutchinson.  
S. V. C.—M. R. Coburn.  
J. V. C.—R. Howe.  
Chap.—A. W. Grover.  
Serg.—J. A. Morton.  
O. D.—Ira C. Jordan.  
O. G.—O. M. Phelps.

## MASON.

C. F. Brown went to South Paris Friday.

Archie Hutchinson and wife went to Gilead, Thursday.

A. J. McAlister and family were down from Gilead, Sunday.

Monday morning there were four inches of snow and plenty of deer hunters.

Saturday, Dec. 2, frogs were croaking and striped squirrels were out running around.

S. O. Grover and wife passed Thanksgiving with his brother, A. B. Grover, in Bethel.

Elmer Stiles has moved from Addison Bean's to F. I. Bean's, where he intends to stay this winter.

Arthur Tyler and wife went to Bolster's Mills, last Wednesday, to pass Thanksgiving with Mrs. Tyler's father, Mr. Benjamin Skillings.

Lewis Merrill of South Waterford, was in town Sunday after Leland Mills to work for him. They went to Waterford Sunday afternoon.

G. R. Wilby, Bethel; A. S. Bean, W. Bethel; W. H. Crockett, Locke Mills; J. W. Bennett, Gilead; A. R. Small & Son, Bryant Pond guarantee every bottle of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy and will refund the money to any one who is not satisfied after using two-thirds of the contents. This is the best remedy in the world for la grippe, coughs, colds, croup and whooping cough and is pleasant and safe to take. It prevents any tendency of a cold to result in pneumonia. mlj

## "Actions of the Just Smell Sweet."

The fragrance of life is vigor and strength, neither of which can be found in a person whose blood is impure, and whose every breath speaks of internal troubles. Hood's Sarsaparilla purifies, vitalizes and enriches the blood, gives a good appetite and makes the weak strong.

Run Down—"My husband was run down in health and all tired out. Those excellent medicines, Hood's Pills and Sarsaparilla, built him up again." Mrs. H. L. Morrey, Towanda, Pa.

**Hood's Sarsaparilla**  
Never Disappoints

Hood's Pills cure liver bile; the non-irritating and only cathartic to take with Hood's Sarsaparilla.

## DENMARK.

Geo. Jordan and wife spent Thanksgiving with her parents in Waterford.

Owen Head came up from Portland to spend Thanksgiving, returning Monday.

A. C. Eames is spending a portion of his ten days' vacation at his home in Bethel.

Arthur Pendexter came up from Portland to spend Thanksgiving, and returned Friday morning.

A. B. Ordway and wife went to Harrison to spend Thanksgiving with their children, Mrs. Frank Bennett and Mrs. Will Freeman.

Elwood Pendexter came home, Wednesday evening, for the winter. He has worked, painting, during the summer at Greenwood, Mass.

Mr. Eugene Higgins, who has lived the past two years on the Robinson place at East Denmark, is moving to North Limington, where he has a steady job in a mill.

The Senior class of the High school held a social at James E. Ingalls' at East Denmark, Monday evening, Nov. 27. There were nearly one hundred present, and the receipts of the evening were about \$10.00.

## "Deeds Are Fruits."

Words are but leaves." It is not what we say, but what Hood's Sarsaparilla does that tells the story. The many wonderful cures effected by this medicine are the fruits by which it should be judged.

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## STATE OF MAINE.

Cumberland, ss.

Taken this twenty-eighth day of October, A. D. 1899, on execution dated October 20, 1899, issued on a judgment rendered by the Superior Court for the County of Cumberland, at a term thereof begun and held on the first Tuesday of September, A. D. 1899, to wit, on the second day of October, 1899, in favor of the Chapman National Bank of Portland in the County of Cumberland, against J. W. Mason and H. Mason, both of Mexico in the County of Oxford and State of Maine, and Frank Mason of Boston in the County of Suffolk and Commonwealth of Massachusetts, for Three thousand three hundred forty-three and 6/100 (\$3343.06) dollars debt or damage, and Nineteen and 36/100 (\$19.36) dollars costs of suit, and will be sold at public auction at the Sheriff's Office at South Paris, in the County of Oxford, to the highest bidder, on the fifteenth day of December, A. D. 1899, at eleven o'clock in the forenoon, all the right, title and interest which the said Frank Mason has in and to, or had on the third day of April, 1899, at 2:30 o'clock in the afternoon, the time when the same was attached on the writ in the same suit, in and to the following described real estate in said County of Oxford, to wit:

The homestead farm of William W. Mason, late of Bethel, deceased, situated in said Bethel, being the same premises described in a deed from Ennis H. Mason and Ayers Mason to William W. Mason, dated May 11, 1895, recorded in Oxford County Registry of Deeds, Book 136, Page 386.

Also all the land situated in the town of Bethel that is described in a deed from Mighill Mason to William W. Mason, dated January 21, 1873, recorded in said Oxford County Registry Book 167, Page 168.

Also the Swift field, so called, situated in said Bethel, being the same premises described in a deed from Betsey K. Swift to William W. Mason, dated September 18, 1873, recorded in Oxford County Registry, Book 172, Page 200, and the same described in deed from Betsey K. Swift, guardian, to said Mason, dated September 6, 1873, recorded in said Registry, Book 169, Pages 527 and 528.

Also certain parcels of land situated in the town of Albany in said Oxford County, comprising the Albany Farm, so called, and being all and the same premises described in a deed from John A. Pingree to William W. Mason, dated September 3, 1873, recorded in Oxford County Registry, Book 168, Page 6.

Also certain land known as the Stowe land, situated in the town of Newry in said Oxford County, being the same premises described in a deed from Andrew N. Stowe et al to William W. Mason, dated June 19, 1875, recorded in Oxford County Registry, Book 172, Page 144. Excepting the parcels heretofore conveyed to A. N. Stowe and Francis G. Stowe by deeds dated August 13, 1885 and April 16, 1885, duly recorded in said Oxford County Registry.

Also lot 3, range 9, in Riley Plantation in said Oxford County, being the same premises described in a deed from Calvin Bisbee to William W. Mason, dated Novem-

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ber 26, 1886, recorded in Oxford County Registry, Book 189, Page 116.

Also all the pine trees standing and growing on land in Andover in said Oxford County, described in a deed from Alvira A. Harding to Charles P. Bartlett and William W. Mason, dated July 25, 1890, recorded in said Oxford County Registry, Book 188, Page 202.

Also certain lots of land situate in Byron in said Oxford County, being lot 7, range 12, lot 7, range 13, and 3 1/2 lots in Tobin land, so called, in said Byron, being the same premises described respectively in deed from Abigail J. Hodsdon to William W. Mason, dated June 12, 1888, recorded in Oxford County Registry, book 217, page 504, deed from Charles P. Bartlett to Wm. W. Mason, dated January 9, 1890, recorded in said Registry, Book 221, Page 320, and deed from Charles P. Bartlett to William W. Mason, dated August 20, 1890, recorded in said Registry, Book 216, page 464; excepting from the lands conveyed by said William W. Mason prior to his decease.

Also lots 8, 9 and 10 in range 4 lots 8 and 9 in range 3, in common and undivided of lot 11 in range 8, and 1/2 in common and undivided of lot 11 in range 1, all in the town of Roxbury, in said Oxford County, and being the same lots of land of which said William W. Mason died seized and possessed.

Also lot 1 in range 12 and 1/2 in common and undivided (additional to the preceding third) of lot 5, range 8, in the town of Roxbury in said Oxford County.

Also 15 certain lots of land situate in said town of Roxbury, being all and the same parcels of land conveyed by Charles P. Bartlett to said Frank Mason et al, by deeds, dated August 15, 1892, and August 9, 1892, recorded in Oxford County Registry respectively in Book 230, Page 136, and Book 230, Page 117.

Also a certain lot of land situate in the town of Roxbury in said Oxford County, known as the Golf lot, and being the same premises conveyed to William W. Mason by Sewell Golf by deed dated May 30, 1892, recorded in Oxford County Registry of Deeds, Book 230, Page 326.

Also certain lands situate in the town of Andover in said Oxford County, known as the Howard and Abbott land, being the same premises conveyed to William W. Mason by Preston O. Howard and Henry M. Abbott by deed dated Oct. 7, 1882, recorded in Oxford County Registry, Book 202, Page 327.

Also certain land situate in the town of Mexico in said Oxford County, known as the Reed Farm, and being the same premises conveyed to I. Wallace Mason et al by Lydia A. Reed, by deed dated August 15, 1892 recorded in said Oxford County Registry, Book 230, Page 151.

Also 1/2 incumbrance undivided of a certain parcel of land situate in the town of Gratton in said Oxford County being the same premises of which William W. Mason died seized and possessed, and the same described in a deed to said William W. Mason from W. W. Edwards dated Aug. 19, 1891, recorded in said Oxford County Registry, Book 223, Page 85, and H. A. Edwards, dated June 19, 1891, recorded in said Oxford County Registry, Book 223, Page 81.

Reference is made to all deeds and the records thereof above cited.

CYRUS M. WORMELL,  
Deputy Sheriff.  
October 28, 1899. 3w24

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## WEST BETHEL.

"Thanksgiving Day has gone at last, And we enjoyed a huge repast, But those who've had the bills to pay, Give thanks it don't come every day." Another light touch of winter.

The drouth is only partially broken. The winter term of school begins next Monday.

The stere of J. E. Pike has been newly painted outside.

Deer hunters still have murder in their hearts when they strike fresh trails.

Mrs. Eunice Roberts has gone to Gorham, N. H., to spend the winter with her daughter.

Miss Flora J. Wheeler, after spending two weeks with her parents, went back to Jefferson, N. H. last Saturday.

Two weeks and two days from the date of this paper, the contest for the cooking range closes. It is a prize well worth striving for.

The taxidermist room of William H. Merrow shows that many deer have been slaughtered somewhere, but many heads are sent here from places far distant, as Mr. Merrow has a wide reputation for excellent work.

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The subject of the discourse by Rev. O. Stone on the Sabbath, was the "Holy Spirit."

The Ryerson House formerly known as "Bear River House" is now awaiting a tenant.

Mr. Horatio Parker and family spent Thanksgiving with Mrs. Rufus Farrar of Grafton.

Rev. O. Stone and Mrs. Stone spent Thanksgiving with Mr. and Mrs. Abbott of Swan's Hill.

The Ladies' Union Circle will meet on the afternoon and evening of Wednesday, Nov. 5, at the vestry of Union church.

Trask Camp on Mt. Will has some new tenants. The family consists of six members. The men are engaged in sawing the birch timber.

Our young people attended the Thanksgiving dance at Eames Hall, North Newry. They found music, dancing and supper, all most enjoyable.

Mr. and Mrs. Jonathan Smith celebrated their golden wedding on the twenty-fifth of November. Mr. Smith, although not yet fully recovered from his sickness was able to enjoy the day. Our generations were represented by those present. Mr. and Mrs. Smith had a generous supply of presents, that from the eldest son, Freedom Smith of Augusta, being a golden one.

At Thanksgiving eve, Bear River patrons met with smiles and burdens of good cheer. The question for discussion "Are farmers equal to the rest of the world in general knowledge?" was decided in the negative by a majority of one. The Grange decided to send as delegate to the State Grange, our master, Carl W. Godwin. A song, "Poor Old Tramp," by J. R. Howard and a recitation by Mrs. E. Bryant was followed by a genuine Thanksgiving supper.

## NORTH WEST BETHEL.

Mrs. Phoebe Chapman is at work for Mrs. Frank Brown.

Dell Stearns is home from Lakeside, where he worked the past summer.

O. W. Ellingwood and George Chapman go to Portland, next week, as jurors.

Mrs. E. A. Verrill, formerly Miss Brownie Stearns, is with her parents at this place for a while.

James Uhlman will move his family up Sunday River valley, where he has work for the winter.

The many friends of Mrs. Sally Bennett will be sorry to learn of her severe illness at her home in Gorham, N. H.

Lorin Trask has moved his camping utensils onto the Burnham lot, where he will finish his logging job which he began last winter.

E. S. Mason has moved the school house, which he purchased of the town, on to his land and will use it as a blacksmith and repair shop.

Mrs. Geo. Boutman and Mrs. James McLean and baby, who have been visiting relatives here for some weeks, returned to their homes in Woodsville, N. H., before Thanksgiving.

## Births.

In North West Bethel, Dec. 2, to the wife of Frank Brown, a son.

## A MERRY... CHRISTMAS...

will not be had unless the little folks get the present. For a whole year they have looked forward to Christmas and thought of the nice things that they would like to have. Let their hopes be realized.

Just a word to

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## BROWNFIELD.

Dr. John Danforth is again quite ill.

Mrs. L. J. Chadbourne and daughter Maud, went to Portland last week for a little shopping trade.

Mr. Horace Chamberlain who was quite sick at his brother's, Freeman Chamberlain, has been moved to the town farm.

Mrs. W. L. Chandler and Mr. George Chapman in the Goodwin Hill District, are quite sick. Dr. Chellis of Kezar Falls attends them.

The Rural Telephone Company have set poles from Brownfield to Fryeburg, via the Healey neighborhood and expects to put up the wires this week.

Mr. E. B. Bean lost a tenant from his house at Dugway hill a few days ago, who quietly landed at the house on Main street, recently occupied by Mrs. Octavia Bryant.

Mr. Paris Rowe killed a twelve months old pig last week, which dressed 618 pounds. Mr. G. C. York, the photographer, took a picture of the pig before it was killed.

A wedding is announced by Mr. and Mrs. Albert Blake. The contracting parties are Miss Flora Gertrude, their daughter, and Mr. Frank Everett Fessenden, to take place Wednesday the 6th inst.

The United States pensioners in Maine did not forget to call on some Justice of Peace Monday. In this town there are nearly sixty persons who are paid at the pension agency, either in Augusta, Me., or at Concord, N. H. Mrs. John Fogg has had her name transferred from the agency in New Hampshire to Maine, since last payment.

## WILSON'S MILLS.

Guy Brooks went to Bangor Tuesday.

Wm. F. Burke of Upton was in town Thursday.

A. R. Pennock went to Colebrook Wednesday.

Edgar H. Brooks came down from the Lake Thursday.

Wm. Whitmore has been to Colebrook, returning last Friday.

H. W. Fickett spent Thanksgiving with his sister, Mrs. John Olson.

R. S. Bean and G. W. Brooks have finished boarding the sides of the bridge.

W. A. M. Forden and Mr. Leadyard of New York, who have been in town for some time returned home Tuesday. D. C. Bennett and M. C. Linnell were their guides.

## Milton Plantation.

Oliver Sweet of South Paris visited Mr. and Mrs. D. C. Sweet, a few days last week.

W. S. Peaslee, wife and daughter, spent Thanksgiving with her parents. Marjorie is staying with her grandma this week.

Alfred Lowjoy is having a short vacation from her school. She expects to teach the winter term in the same district at Abbott's Mills.

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## Lost.

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## NORTH NEWRY.

Mr. Y. A. Thurston and family of Rumford, spent Thanksgiving at M. L. Thurston's.

All those who attended the Thanksgiving ball at Eames hall Nov. 30, reported a good time.

Mrs. Nina Kilgore and son Wilbur, who have been visiting at R. W. Kilgore's for the past month, have returned to their home in Providence, R. I.

Mrs. Fannie Widber has returned home from Waterford where she has been visiting Mrs. Col. Hapgood, and her son, W. W. Widber, at Portland.

Little Johnny Rowe, who lives at Mason, has been visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Rowe. He was given a party Saturday afternoon and evening, as he was to go back the following day. There was quite a gathering of children who seemed to enjoy themselves very much.

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\$19.00 buys this comfortable Couch; direct from the makers, Freight Prepaid, sent "on approval," to be returned at our expense if not positively the best Couch ever sold at so low a price.

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Homespun, extra heavy quality, 50c	black, several shades brown and 50c
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Silk and Wool Checks, in blue, brown, and green, excellent for shirt waists, at 50c	Darker ones for shirt waists, 12 in. 20, 30, and 50c

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tic clean your blood and keep it clean, by  
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purities from the body. Begin today to  
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## THE L. R. BROWN CASE.

A Decision on Contested Points  
Handed Down.

All people in this section are  
more or less familiar with the L.  
R. Brown estate matter, regarding  
which litigation has been going on  
for the past two months, in the  
District Court of Dubuque County,  
Iowa.

Levi R. Brown died Sept. 8, 1899,  
at his residence in Epworth, Iowa,  
eighteen miles from the city of Du-  
buque, which is the county seat.  
Mr. Brown was a native of Albany,  
Maine, where he was born over six-  
ty years ago. He had resided in  
Iowa some forty years. He never  
married and had lived alone, keep-  
ing his own house, and working  
on his large farm during these  
years. He was a man of marked  
ability and was for many years a  
teacher in Iowa, and connected  
with the school board for several  
terms. He was strictly honest  
and reliable in all his dealings and  
was held in the highest esteem by  
all who knew him. He died intestate  
and his large property descend-  
ed to his various brothers and sisters  
or their descendants. Most of  
these heirs reside in the East, sev-  
eral of them being residents of  
Bethel, and Albany. At the time  
of his death, there were living two  
brothers, Walter M. Brown and J.  
C. Brown, and one sister, Mrs. Geo.  
W. Harden, of Bethel, besides sev-  
eral descendants or deceased broth-  
ers and sisters.

Upon being advised of the death  
of L. R. Brown, Walter M. Brown  
and George W. Harden, accompan-  
ied by Attorney Ellery C. Park, of  
the firm, Herrick & Park of Bethel,  
went to Iowa to bring the re-  
mains of their brother east, and al-  
so to do whatever might be neces-  
sary in order to protect the estate.  
On arriving in Iowa, these par-  
ties found that the remains had  
been taken east by Mr. L. O. Brown,  
a nephew of L. R. Brown, who is an  
attorney in Illinois. After mak-  
ing careful investigation, one Jas.  
A. Hayes of Dubuque, was appoint-  
ed administrator of the estate of  
L. R. Brown upon petition of Mr.  
Walter Brown and Mr. Harden,  
representing his wife. Mr. Hayes  
is clerk of the District Court for  
Dubuque County, Iowa, and is a  
man who stands high and against  
whom not a word has been said.  
After securing this appointment  
and arranging for the settlement  
of the estate to go on, the eastern  
parties returned home.

Mr. L. O. Brown was dissatisfied  
with the way things had been ar-  
ranged, and upon his return to  
Iowa, filed a petition alleging that  
Mr. Hayes, being clerk of the  
court, was disqualified from acting  
as administrator, and asking his  
removal. The petition also asked  
the appointment of said L. O.  
Brown as administrator of the es-  
tate. A hearing was set.

Early in November, several of  
the eastern heirs went to Iowa ac-  
companied by Mr. Park, to be pre-  
sent at the hearing. These heirs  
and others which Mr. Park repre-  
sented by power of attorney, asked  
the retention of Mr. Hayes and op-  
posed the appointment of L. O.  
Brown. But in their resistance to  
the removal of Hayes, these heirs  
asked the Court, in case he should  
find Hayes disqualified because of  
the fact that he was clerk of the  
court, to appoint some competent,  
disinterested man of his own mo-  
tion as administrator of said es-  
tate. After a fruitless attempt to  
compromise the matter and save  
expense, the hearing occurred. It  
lasted through two days and was  
of much interest. After the hear-  
ing, the Court said that he should  
take considerable time in decid-  
ing the matter as the result would  
affect important interests, not on-  
ly relative to the matter at bar,  
but in other matters in the County.  
The Court has just rendered its de-  
cision. The decision is published  
in full in the Dubuque Evening  
Herald, and we quote the same.  
The Herald says:

This matter comes up on the ap-  
plication of L. O. Brown et al. to  
revoke letters of administration  
heretofore issued, appointing  
James A. Hayes administrator of  
the estate of L. R. Brown, deceased.  
L. O. Brown has filed a petition  
since the appointment of the said  
James A. Hayes, asking that he,  
L. O. Brown, be appointed admin-  
istrator of said estate. There  
seems to be little, if any, dispute  
as to the facts. Two questions of  
law have been presented to the  
Court and argued by counsel.  
Numerous authorities have been  
cited to this Court by counsel, in  
support of their respective posi-

tions. I have given the authori-  
ties cited by counsel careful exami-  
nation and have also made an  
independent research of my own.  
I have thought it advisable to  
render my decision in this matter  
in writing so that there may be no  
misunderstanding.

The facts, as disclosed by the  
records and necessary to be con-  
sidered by this Court are as fol-  
lows: L. R. Brown, a wealthy  
bachelor, died suddenly at his  
residence on his farm, in Taylor  
Township, in this county, Septem-  
ber 7, 1899. Mr. Brown had lived  
alone for a number of years and  
did not have any relatives or near  
friends residing in Iowa. His  
parents were dead and his only  
heirs were two brothers and a sister  
residing near Bethel, in the  
state of Maine, a number of nieces  
and nephews who reside in New  
England, and L. O. Brown, George  
Brown and Elizabeth Manning,  
nephews and niece, who resided in  
the state of Illinois. All heirs of  
the deceased were then and are  
now non-residents of the state of  
Iowa. L. R. Brown, having died  
suddenly and while alone, the  
coroner of Dubuque county, R. F.  
Bennett, Jr., was called to hold an  
inquest, which he held. None of  
the relatives of the deceased were  
present when the inquest was held  
and the coroner took possession of  
the personal property of the de-  
ceased and placed the same in  
charge of the coroner's jury. The  
body of the deceased was taken to  
Maine for burial by two nephews,  
L. O. Brown and George W. Brown.  
The two nephews, L. O. Brown  
and George W. Brown, had been  
previously informed by wire that  
the surviving brothers and the  
husband of the surviving sister of  
the deceased were coming to Iowa  
for that purpose.

The inquest having been con-  
cluded and the body removed and  
no heirs-at-law or other represen-  
tatives being present, the coroner,  
desiring to be relieved of his re-  
sponsibility, applied to the Court  
to appoint James A. Hayes, clerk  
of this court, special administrator  
of the estate of said L. R. Brown,  
who had died intestate. The ap-  
pointment was made, the special  
administrator qualified, gave bond  
and entered on the discharge of  
his duties September 12th. Sep-  
tember 13th, Walter M. Brown, a  
brother of the deceased, George  
Harden, husband of Huldah B.  
Harden, a sister of the deceased  
accompanied by their attorney, E.  
C. Park, Esq., of Bethel, Me., ar-  
rived at the late home of the de-  
ceased to look after the affairs of  
the estate and found the special  
administrator taking possession.  
L. R. Brown, deceased, seized of  
about five hundred acres of land,  
worth about Twenty Thousand  
Dollars; notes and mortgages to  
the amount of about Ninety Thou-  
sand Dollars; live stock and other  
personal property, estimated to be  
worth between Three Thousand  
Dollars and Five Thousand Dol-  
lars.

The matter of an appointment of  
a general administrator was dis-  
cussed and considered by the par-  
ties interested. Mr. Park inform-  
ed the court that, as attorney for  
the surviving brothers and sister  
of the deceased, he would apply to  
the court for the appointment of a  
general administrator. That, from  
his investigation of the law, he be-  
lieved that a non-resident could  
not be appointed such adminis-  
trator. He was informed by the  
court that though the statutes of  
Iowa did not prohibit in express  
terms the appointment of a non-  
resident administrator, yet such  
appointment was not advisable  
and that the court did not approve  
of the appointment of non-resi-  
dent administrators, and believed  
it was not a wise policy to make  
such appointment. The court in-  
formed Mr. Park that any qualified  
and suitable resident of Iowa his  
clients would suggest would be ap-  
pointed, and no suggestion nor in-  
formation was given to Mr. Park  
by the court as to who should be  
selected for such appointment. On  
September 15 there was presented  
the application now on file on be-  
half of the only surviving broth-  
ers and sister of deceased, asking  
that the special administrator,  
James A. Hayes, then and now  
clerk of this court, be by the court  
appointed general administrator.  
The application was granted, the  
appointment made, and Mr. Hayes  
qualified and gave bond in the sum  
of \$150,000, which bond was ap-  
proved by the court. He published  
notice of his appointment and en-  
tered upon the discharge of his  
duties. Mr. Hayes filed his final  
report as special administrator and  
was duly discharged by the court.  
L. R. Brown was buried in Maine  
September 14, and within twenty  
days thereafter L. O. Brown, his  
nephew, on behalf of himself,  
George W. Brown and Elizabeth  
Manning filed the application  
herein to have the letters of the  
administration revoked because  
said Hayes, being clerk of the dis-  
trict court and as such clerk given  
certain power and authority in  
probate matters, was legally dis-  
qualified from acting as such ad-  
ministrator, and further asking  
that L. O. Brown, as next to kin,  
applying within the time fixed by  
the statute, be appointed adminis-  
trator of the estate of L. R.  
Brown, deceased. This application  
was resisted by a majority in  
number and interest of the heirs  
of L. R. Brown, who finally resist-  
ed by asking that James A. Hayes  
be retained as administrator, and

asking that if the court should  
find Mr. Hayes to be legally dis-  
qualified from acting as adminis-  
trator by reason of his being clerk  
of the court, that the court appoint  
some suitable person, resident of  
Dubuque County, as such adminis-  
trator and objecting strenuously  
to the appointment of L. O. Brown.  
There are two legal propositions  
involved.

First—Is the clerk of the Dis-  
trict Court, by reason of the duties  
imposed upon him by statute in  
probate matters, debarred from act-  
ing as administrator, guardian, etc.,  
wherein his reports must be filed  
in his office, as clerk? Second—  
Can a non-resident demand ap-  
pointment as administrator of the  
estate of a resident of Iowa dying  
intestate? Or should the court, in  
the use of a sound discretion, make  
such appointment as he sees fit  
and which, in his judgment, will  
best preserve, protect and conserve  
the property of such estate and the  
interests of all persons entitled to  
a distributive share therein. The  
first question is an entirely new  
one in this state and, as far as I  
have been able to examine the  
question, I have not found any de-  
cisions of courts of last resort, in  
other states that aid in determin-  
ing it. It may be stated, as a gen-  
eral rule, that any person capable  
of making a contract is competent  
to act as administrator, unless pro-  
hibited by direct provision of statute  
or necessary implication there-  
from.

The second question is not a new  
one in this state, nor is it difficult  
to arrive at the true rule. There  
are three decisions of the Supreme  
Court of this State as to the ap-  
pointments of non-residents of  
Iowa as administrators of estates  
of residents of this State dying and  
leaving estates herein. The most  
satisfactory conclusion to be drawn  
from these decisions is that while  
non-residence alone does not dis-  
qualify, that the appointment of a  
non-resident should only be made  
in exceptional cases. It is a mat-  
ter wherein the Court is given the  
widest discretion and which the  
Court is bound to exercise in the  
best interests of all concerned in  
the estate. This estate amounts to  
over One Hundred Thousand Dol-  
lars, is subject to a collateral in-  
heritance tax of more than Five  
Thousand Dollars, and until re-  
moved from the county or distrib-  
uted, is subject to county, town,  
and school tax.

A large number of heirs living  
in different and distant states are  
interested. The debtors of the es-  
tate to the number of over one hun-  
dred and to the amount of over  
Ninety Thousand Dollars, reside  
in Dubuque County. The assets  
must be kept in the jurisdiction of  
the Court and the administrator  
should be at all times within the  
jurisdiction and subject to the or-  
ders of the Court. He should be a  
person on that the Court knows and  
in whom it has confidence. The  
applicant, L. O. Brown, is a non-  
resident of the State of Iowa and a  
stranger to the Court. A majority  
of the heirs have filed their objec-  
tion to his appointment and he  
has no previous knowledge of the  
estate and there is no special reas-  
on why he should be appointed  
administrator of this estate. The  
best interests of the estate and ev-  
ery one interested therein will be  
conserved by the appointment of a  
competent, experienced, disinter-  
ested resident of Dubuque county,  
as administrator of said estate.  
This I have determined to do with-  
out any suggestion from any of the  
heirs or attorneys, as to who  
should be appointed. It is there-  
fore ordered that the appointment  
of James A. Hayes as adminis-  
trator of the estate of L. R. Brown,  
heretofore made by this Court,  
September 15, 1899, is hereby re-  
voked as of this date, such revoca-  
tion to in no way annul or invali-  
date any acts of said James A.  
Hayes done as such administrator  
to date. He will within fifteen  
days file his final report as such  
administrator and turn over all  
the assets of the estate coming in-  
to his possession, less his proper  
expenditures and charges, to his  
successor.

D. E. Lyon, a resident of Du-  
buque county for many years, a  
attorney of the late L. R. Brown for  
many years, and whom the Court  
believes to be a competent and  
suitable person is hereby appoint-  
ed administrator of the estate of  
L. R. Brown, deceased, and his  
bond is fixed at the sum of One  
Hundred and Fifty Thousand Dol-  
lars. He is ordered to publish no-  
tice of his appointment for three  
weeks in the Dubuque and the  
Dubuque, to all of which all  
of the parties hereto except  
M. C. MATTHEWS,  
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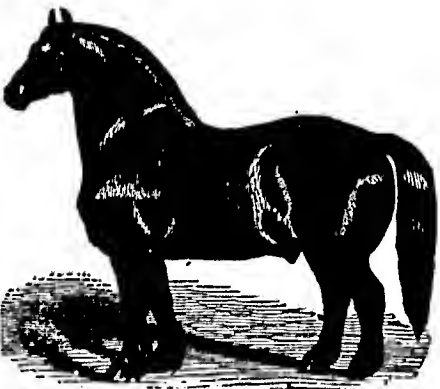
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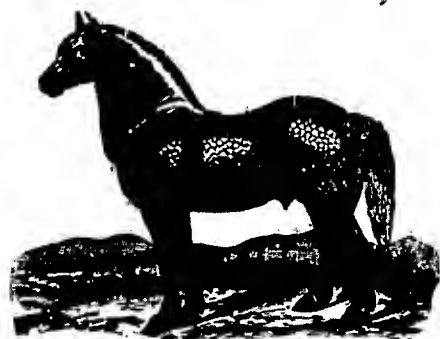
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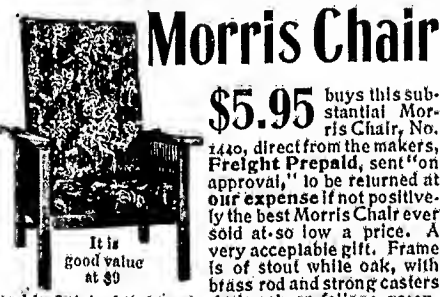


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And seein some one bigger get liked for what you've did,  
A feller can't help wishin he was the littles kid!

But when you think of taggin an findin folks has run  
An been told it's bedtime, no matter what's the fun,  
An takin mumps and measles an wearin girl's clothes  
An never goin nowhere exsep' when mother goes  
An learnin all the lessons of what us boys is did,  
Then's when a chap's as willin he ain't the littles kid!

—Catherine Young Glen in St. Nicholas.

**STORY OF BRAVE TOMMY AND THE GOLDEN KEY.**

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Tommy was a very poor little boy. His home was a very small house indeed and his bed only a heap of rags on the floor. That family had little to eat at any time, and often there was nothing at all, and, as for clothes, not one of them knew what a whole new garment meant. Yet Tommy, the youngest of the family, never lost heart nor complained of what his parents could do for him. He was only anxious to do what he could. So on the afternoon when this story opens he was off in the woods in search of chestnuts, which, if well boiled, would serve for a supper if there was nothing else, something which was quite too likely to be the case. While at his task he noticed a cat somehow caught in the branches of a tall tree. She mewed pitifully, and the kind hearted



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boy climbed up and set the pretty animal free. He felt himself well rewarded when as the cat ran gayly away he found a golden key which had been fastened to her neck and a little note saying that it was for him.

Tommy was soon hurrying down to the village store, with the idea of exchanging the bit of gold for some bread and meat to take home, when a poorly dressed old woman stopped him and asked him to help her along. So good a boy could not refuse. In spite of his haste, and the old woman, who must have been a fairy, told him not to sell his golden key, but to come with it to a certain big oak tree just as the clock was striking 12 that night and he would surely find his fortune. The old woman then seemed to melt into the air.

The boy had no secrets from his mother, and it was she who wakened him that night in time to reach the oak tree before midnight. But it so happened that while he was running as fast as he could, a sick man asked him to fill a golden cup with water. A bad spirit whispered to the boy to steal the cup, but his true heart said no, and when the sick man had drunk the water which Tommy brought him he went with the boy to the oak, and suddenly a door appeared in its rough bark which the golden key unlocked.

"Only the bad need be afraid," said the man just as the clock began striking the hour of 12, and he then melted away into the air. Just as the old woman had done. A long passage stretched before the boy, ending in a little room, where a fierce looking goblin stood guarding an iron safe. Tommy thought his promised fortune must be within the safe, so he asked the goblin to open it, although sounds seemed to come from it like the roaring of lions. But when the door was thrown open there were no lions or other fierce animals in sight nor yet any treasures, but only another long and very low and narrow passage, through which, with much discomfort and slinking of heart, the brave little boy finally crept.

To his delight, he came out into a large and beautiful room, where many children were playing games, and something which pleased him even more, there was set a table of dainties, to which he was bidden to seat himself. After eating such a meal as he had never known before he joined the children at play and would perhaps have been playing yet if suddenly his conscience had not reminded him that he had come in search of a fortune to help his parents and his brothers and sisters and not merely to amuse himself. So he broke away from the children, who at that began to call him bad names, and, opening a door, he saw indeed all the treasures any one could desire, great shining heaps of silver of all shapes and kinds, and he

**THANKSGIVING ELVES**

Oh, far away in Slumberland  
The dream elves work all day  
With magic spell and magic wand  
A-weaving visions gay;  
A-fashioning from woof of mist  
And rainbow colors bright,  
With many a turn and many a twist,  
The dreams that haunt the night!  
'Tis now they toil with double zeal  
At phantoms weird and rare.  
Thanksgiving day doth nearer steal;  
Likewise Thanksgiving fare.  
The toothsome turkey, well they wot,  
Nor pie nor pudding sweet  
By mortals would be relished aught  
Without that nightmare treat.

CAROLINE WETHERELL



found a number of other boys looking longingly at the treasures, but hesitating to go toward them because the path was full of very sharp thorns, and, as was said by those who, after making a trial, came back, the few stepping stones were not enough to burn one's feet.

One of the little fellows, however, followed Tommy across, although both of them suffered a good deal before they reached the other side. Filling their pockets with all the silver they could carry, Tommy and his comrades were just about to seek the shortest way home when they were told that if they would open the door right before them they would see treasures of gold to which the silver was nothing. And so they found it to be, but Tommy's comrade was not brave enough to attempt to make the passage over the plank to the place where the treasures lay. And small wonder was it, since flames and smoke kept rolling up from a deep pit beneath it, and, while the plank was very narrow, to slip and fall into the pit would be terrible indeed. Tommy, however, made the passage safely, but he had no sooner exchanged his silver for the gold than he was told that still further on he could find treasures of jewels to which the gold could not be compared. The jewels were rare and beautiful indeed, but Tommy lingered for some time before he mustered courage for the hardest trial of all.

In order to reach the jewels he would have to cross a wild and foaming river, full of sharp rocks, and where, while he stood waiting for a boat, he saw other like seekers of a fortune wrecked and carried below. He had to give up all his gold for a boat and when half way over was so frightened at his peril that he would have turned back if he had not seen that that was the most dangerous thing of all to do. His boat was upset by another, but it happened when he was so near the other side that he could save himself.

It took the boy only a few minutes to gather jewels enough to make every fine lady in the land envious, and then, opening a door close at hand, he found himself, not as he expected, far from home, but indeed just outside the oak tree he had entered. But the bell, which had been sounding the first strokes of 12 when he entered the tree, was only completing the number as he came out.

The tired boy hurried home and, finding his heap of rags in the corner without awakening anybody, fell fast asleep. No wonder his parents, his brothers and sisters were surprised and happy in the morning when he emptied out upon the bare floor his treasure of jewels and they knew they would never again know what poverty or discomfort meant!—Condensed by the Author, Charles J. Bellamy, From "Return of the Fairies."

**His Way Out.**

A certain Irish member of parliament, popular and a bachelor, had been very polite to the daughter of the house where he was visiting. When the time came for him to go, the too anxious mamma called him in for a serious talk. "I'm sure I don't know what to say," she went on. "Tis reported all around that you are to marry Letitia."

"Just say that she refused me," quietly advised the parliamentarian.—San Francisco Argonaut.

Cycling makes time pass quickly, for the cyclist can make a century run.

**A DIFFERENCE IN SHADE.**

Oh should papa chance to be a lordly millionaire,  
Then "tinted-tinted tresses" is the color of her hair;  
But should a common sort of a man be mentioned as her sire,  
Why then she's that red-headed she would set a comb on fire.

**Tickling Straws.**

"Board wanted" was what the young lady said when she came to a mud puddle.

Stern parent (to a young applicant for his daughter's hand)—  
"Young man, can you support a family?"

Young man (meekly)—"I only wanted Sarah, sir."

"Dear," said a physician's wife as they sat in church, "there is Mrs. G—sitting in a draft."  
"Well," said her husband, "I shall cash that draft."

**WELL! WELL! WELL!**

A Long Island man's well dried up and he viewed the remains with this pleasantry. "Well! well! this well is well dried up. Not feeling well a drink would taste well, but I will have to leave well enough alone until well toward spring and thus wishing the well well he went well out of sight still feeling unwell, well thirsty and well-nigh exhausted.

Two artists went out into the suburbs to sketch crows. They saw a fine specimen in a cornfield, and, after approaching him, began to make a drawing from life. The nearer they got, the more they admired him. Wonderfully tame the bird seemed, until he suddenly turned out to be only the top of a buried stump.

A young prince, who was fond of music, and plumed himself—certainly without reason—on his voice and style of singing, once treated the company to a few of his favorite airs, after which he turned to a prima donna who was present, and asked her candid opinion; "Now, tell me sincerely, signora, how you think I sing these popular melodies?" "Like a prince," replied the artist with a malicious smile.

We are a nation of mechanics and the President is a cabinet-maker.

The skins of animals were the earliest form of money, so we are told. No doubt a skunk skin was considered a centpiece.

A baby is thing to make  
The home forever bright:  
It forces you to be awake  
And burn the gas all night.

"Are you in favor of annexation?"  
He asked of the girl at his side;  
"Yes," said the sweet creature, so they called on the preacher.  
And the treaty was ratified.

**A COLD FAREWELL.**

"How can I bare to leave thee?  
To get more cold would grieve me,  
And, if I raise my hat, the dreadful draught will strike on my bald head  
How can I bare to leave thee?"

Eden's Your Bowels With Castor Oil.  
Candy Castor Oil, cure constipation forever.  
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**Who is the Most Popular Teacher of Andover?**

We are to give the Citizens of Andover a Chance to Decide.

The publishers of the News have decided to inaugurate a friendly voting contest and give the people of Andover a chance to decide this question by popular vote.

**Basis of Voting.**

Beginning this week, each issue of the News until January 1, 1900, will contain a vote, which, when properly filled out and returned to this office, will count one vote.

Each yearly subscription to the News will count 100 votes.

Each yearly renewal will count 50 votes.

Every dollar paid on advertising or job printing will count 25 votes.

Please note that no votes will be counted until the money is paid in, and that the votes on advertising and job printing are confined to new work secured by the contestants or their friends.

**A Prize.**

When it has been decided who the most popular teacher is, we will give that teacher a copy of Webster's International Dictionary. This book needs no recommendation as all teachers know that it is one of the finest dictionaries in the world.

**To the Contestants.**

The dictionary if secured will prove of much value to you, but the name of being Andover's most popular teacher will be more. Begin at once. The one that waits to see what the others are doing will not be the one to secure the prize. See your friends throughout the town and elsewhere, and invite them to assist you by subscribing for the News. Interest your scholars and they will prove of much help to you. Subscriptions are what you must get if you secure the prize, so get all you can.

The following are entered thus far. Send in your votes for them:

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Miss Flora Gilbert,  
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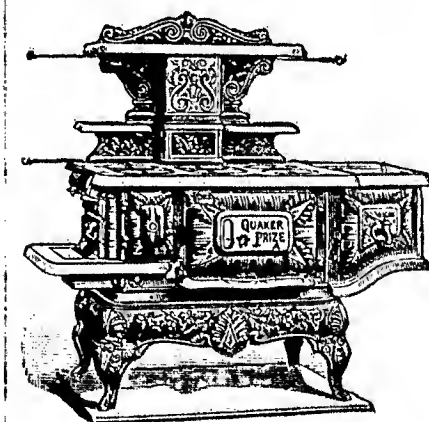
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### ERROL, N. H.

H. M. Kendall of Newry was in town last week.

Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Bragg went to Berlin last week.

Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Fickett returned from Berlin last week.

Mrs. Fred Mundt is home from Newry. Her mother returned with her to spend the winter.

There is to be a church sociable held in the church here Wednesday, Dec. 13. All are cordially invited.

The school at the River and up Clear stream closed last week. Miss Ellen Douglass who taught the river school has gone to her home in Bethel.

### MIDDLE INTERVALE.

School closed here last week. Miss Twaddle was liked very much and all regret that she can not teach again next term as she intends to go away to school. The last afternoon a very pretty program was carried out. It consisted of recitations and select readings, in which all the scholars did their best. A number of visitors were present.

Quite a number "dined out" Thanksgiving Day. Charles Davis, the Lake stage-driver, on Swan's Hill; Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Holt and Mrs. Clark on Bethel Hill; Mr. and Mrs. David Gorham, at S. N. Kimball's and Mr. and Mrs. Caswell and daughter, Ona, at Tapley Kimball's.

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### Lost.

One pair of gold-bowed eye glasses, on the North West Bethel road, Nov. 13th. Finder will be suitably rewarded by returning same to Dr. G. L. Sturdivant, Bethel, Me.

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### NORTH WATERFORD.

Charles Grover is digging a well. Agnes Sawin is on the sick list. The Odd Fellows hall is nearly done.

Mrs. Littlefield has her well all stoned.

Annie Ray is at work for Mrs. Cliff Rice.

Mabel Kneeland is at work for Mrs. John Lewis.

Bertha Grover is at work for Mrs. George Brownell.

Mrs. George Rice is caring for the sick at Mrs. Hobbs'.

Sumner Bean of Albany visited his sister, Mrs. Harry Sawin Sunday.

Hert Bird has gone to work for Will Chadbourne at East Waterford.

Mrs. Lydia Sawin is visiting relatives at East Waterford this week.

Sam Young is at work for Mr. Burnham of Lynchville sawing birch.

Brown & Son are putting up a mill, where the corn shop used to be.

Sadie Howe, who is teaching school at Stoneham, was at home for Thanksgiving.

Sam Hersey who has been visiting his daughter, Mrs. Nettie Sawin, has returned to his home.

Len Brown of Stoneham who has been staying with his grandmother, Mrs. Littlefield, a few days, has returned to his home.

Isabel Woodbury who is attending school at Farmington, is spending her vacation with her sisters, Mrs. Fred and Harry Saunders.

The village school began Dec. 4. The upper room is to be taught by Bert Saunders of East Waterford, and the lower room by Bertha Hamlin.

My son has been troubled for years with chronic diarrhoea.

Some time ago I persuaded him to take some of Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy. After using two bottles of 25-cent size he was cured. I give this testimonial, hoping some one similarly afflicted may read it and be benefited.—THOMAS C. BOWEN, Glencoe, O.

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### GRAFTON.

Ernest Farrar was in Bethel last week.

Will H. Otis has gone to Houghton to work for Mr. Thomas.

Blanche Pratt who is working at Errol, N. H., was home over Thanksgiving.

Mr. and Mrs. C. T. Parker and children of Newry Corner spent Thanksgiving with Mrs. Parker's mother, Mrs. A. W. Farrar.

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### To Let.

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### ANDOVER.

Revival meetings are to be held this week at the Methodist church.

Miss Mary Talbot has been spending a few weeks with her friends in this town.

The King's Daughters held a social at Mrs. H. L. Poor's on Tuesday evening of this week.

Mrs. Jonathan Abbott is reported in failing health. Up to the past two weeks she had been improving from her illness in the summer.

Henry Bradeen was suddenly stricken with paralysis last Friday and died Sunday. For the past few years he has had a general store in East Andover.

The Andover Hook & Ladder Company gave a Ball on Thanksgiving evening. Nearly fifty couples were present and a social pleasant evening was the result. Oyster and pastry supper was served.

The King's Daughters are working now to get money enough to repair the ceiling of the Town Hall. They intend to put in a steel ceiling, and then when the walls are painted the room will look much better. There is lots of "go ahead" in the society and whatever they undertake they carry out with a will.

### BRYANT POND.

Carl Dudley is at home. Ellsworth Hill has returned from Berlin Falls.

S. G. Wyman went to Rumford Falls last Saturday.

Mrs. Dollie Carroll began her school at North Paris, Dec. 5.

Miss Alice Day has gone to Norway, to work in the shoe shop.

Miss Myrtle Bacon, who is teaching in Portland, was at home last week.

Our primary teacher, Miss Alice Monroe, spent Thanksgiving at her home in Waterford.

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### Lost.

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